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CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The 50th Semi-annual general con-
ference of the Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter-day Saints will convene in
the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, on
Sunday, October 3, at 10 o'clock a. m.
A full attendance of the officers and
members is hereby requested.

When the Conference adjourns on
Monday afternoon, it will be until
Wednesday, Oct. 6, at 10 o'clock a. m.

A general Priesthood meeting will
be held in the Tabernacle on Monday eve-
ning, October 4, commencing at 7
o'clock.

The first Sunday of October being
Conference, it is suggested that Sun-
day, Sept. 26, be observed as fast day
in Salt Lake, Ensign, Pioneer, Liberty,
Granite, and Jordan Stakes.

A special Priesthood meeting will
be held in the Assembly Hall on Tuesday,
Oct. 5, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m.

JOSEPH F. SMITH,
JOHN R. WINDER,
ANTHONY H. LUND,
First Presidency.

DESERET SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION

The semi-annual conference of the
Deseret Sunday School Union will con-
vene at the Tabernacle, Sunday eve-
ning, Oct. 3, at 7 o'clock. All are in-
vited.

AFRAID OF UNITY.

No other inference is possible from
the ravings of the Tribune about the
"Federal bunch," the "church political
machine," and "the secret rooms of the
church headquarters," etc., in Mon-
day's leading editorial, than this, that
the sheet mentioned fears, more than
anything else, a possible unity of ef-
fort among all citizens for good, honest,
competent city government.

It fears, especially, the loss of control
over non-"Mormon" votes, and it tries
to keep them in its clutches by fabrica-
tions about "church interference," "church
influence," "church control" and all
kinds of orbes that do not exist.

Now, this is precisely what we ob-
ject to. We object to a clique of of-
fice seekers keeping themselves in
power, in an American community, by
means of gross falsehoods told about a
church. Suppose that another clique
should undertake to get into power
by circulating falsehoods about the
Catholic church. Suppose a band of
A. P. A.'s, for instance, were to plot
the capture of the City offices by the
constant reiteration of stories about the
Catholic church, and the Catholic
priesthood. Suppose they were to tell
in newspapers, pulpits, and pamphlets,
publicly and privately, about the in-
terference of the Catholic hierarchy in
politics; about the alleged immorality
of priests and nuns, and the menace
of "cellback" to the American home;
suppose they were to reiterate the
stories that have been in circulation
ever since Protestantism and Roman-
ism met on the field of battle—all for
the purpose of intimidating voters, and
inducing them to maintain an anti-
Catholic party in power. Would not
every true American citizen revolt
against such a band of political
pirates? Or, suppose a similar plot
were carried out against the Hebrews?

Suppose we had a party with the
motto: "No Jews need apply!" What
would be the duty of American citi-
zens confronted with such an un-
American conspiracy? It would be
just what it is now, when the shafts
of hatred are hurled against the "Mor-
mons," as they are in Russia against
the Jews, and as they were in Ger-
many against the Catholics during the
famous "kulturkampf."

We object to anti-"Mormonism" in
American politics, as we would to
anti-Catholicism, or anti-Semitism, be-
cause it is foreign to American insti-
tutions. The Church does not control
city affairs, or any civil affairs, and
does not want such control. But it cer-
tainly protests against being made a
constant target for poisoned arrows
hurled against it by professed "Ameri-
cans" who are a disgrace to that
name, for political purposes.

LABOR AND PEACE.

From Swedish papers received it is
learned that the international peace
congress that was called for the first
week of this month and that was to
have met at Stockholm, had to be post-
poned, owing, we presume, to the labor
troubles existing at that time. A num-
ber of foreign delegates, however, came
to Stockholm, and they were enter-
tained in a banquet. Speeches were
made by Mr. and Mrs. Mead, of Bos-
ton, E. T. Moneta, of Milano, and E.
Wawrinski, of Stockholm.

It is really too bad to permit labor
troubles to interfere with the work
of the peace friends. For no other
reform efforts are more directly in the
interest of labor. Were standing
armies done away with, the cost of
government would be reduced. Na-
tional debts could be paid and the most
would be still further decreased. La-
bor now devoted to military affairs
could be applied to agriculture and

commerce. With no national indebted-
ness, no pay interest on, no standing
armies to maintain in idleness and more
money and muscle to invest in produc-
tive enterprises, every country would
be prosperous. There would be no la-
bor troubles. Everyone, as the prophet
of old says, would sit under his own
tree and vine. All would own their
homes. There would be none to make
neighbor afraid of neighbor. That is
the ideal state at which the peace
friends aim. Why should not the la-
borers of the world further that move-
ment with all their strength?

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES.

There does not seem to be any
strong reason for the con-
tention that the Citizens are by
law barred from selecting their
candidates from any party tick-
ets they may choose. Section 52,
chapter 14 of the laws passed by the
last Legislature, expressly gives to any
convention of voters, to the number
specified in section 525, as well as to a
convention of delegates of a party pre-
viously recognized, the right to nomi-
nate candidates for public offices to be
filled by election. A convention, this
section defines as an organized as-
semblage of voters or delegates repre-
senting a political party, previously in
the field, and the provision is expres-
sly made "that any voters, convention
or committee of any political party
may nominate any one or more persons
or persons who may have been nomi-
nated by any other voters, convention
or committee, but in making such
nomination the name of such a nomi-
nee shall be placed upon the regular
ticket of the political party represented
by the voters, convention or committee
making such nomination." The only
thing the law wants to guard against
is the placing upon the official ballot,
by any political party, more than one
ticket, or more than one group of can-
didates, or to group the same persons
on different tickets by the same party
under a different name or emblem.

This seems to be clear enough. It
expressly recognizes the right of a
convention of voters to "nominate any
one nominated by other voters, con-
vention or committee." Section 525
stipulates that the certificate of nomi-
nation shall contain a statement by
the voter that the name, or names,
presented will not be printed upon the
official ballot, or upon any party
ticket, UNLESS they are placed on
the official ballot under the name or
device adopted in the certificate. The
language in this section may not be
quite as clear as might have been de-
sirable, but it cannot be construed to
annul the section that gives to the
voters the right to nominate candidates
already nominated by other parties.

HAILEY'S COMET.

Halley's comet, which has again be-
come visible to astronomers on the
lookout for it, is regarded as one of
the most remarkable wandering stars
known. Halley calculated that it re-
quired 76 years to complete its orbit
around the sun, and he predicted its
re-appearance in 1757. The comet was
observed in 1686. It was represented in
contemporary accounts as four times
the size of Venus, with a light one-
fourth the light of the moon. In 1456,
the comet was again visible. Its tail,
shaped like a sword, extended over a
large part of the sky and the stars
was watched with awe by the inhabitants
of the earth, as a warning of impending
disasters.

Comets no longer strike terror when
they come in view. They are known to
be part of the universe we inhabit, and
subject to the same laws as other
heavenly bodies. From the researches
of Schiaparelli it is known that meteor-
ites represent fragments of comets.
Biela's comet has disappeared since
1852. It divided into two parts, and
appeared in that form in 1844-45. It was
later discovered in a belt of meteorites
which approaches the earth's orbit
each year, about November 27. The
comets are composed of the same ele-
ments that make up the earth and the
sun. The unity of the universe as to
composition and ruling laws, is well es-
tablished.

PROHIBITION WEEK.

This week is prohibition week in
Chicago. The fortieth anniversary of
the organization of the Prohibition party
is being celebrated there with pa-
rades, speeches, and banquets.

One of the questions most frequently
discussed in connection with the prohi-
bition movement is this: Does Prohi-
bition prohibit? The opponents claim
that drunkenness is even increased un-
der prohibitory laws.

The Mayor of Atlanta, Ga., is quoted
as well satisfied with the results ob-
tained in that city. He says, as quoted:
"I don't believe the city of Atlanta
has been damaged by Prohibition. The
places that were formerly occupied by
the whiskey saloons have all been
rented at equally as good, or better,
prices to the near-beer dealers, or other
lines of business."

"Real estate values have not de-
creased in Atlanta during the one year
and a half of Prohibition, but, on the
contrary, they have been fully main-
tained, and are today the highest in the
history of our city."

"Building permits to the amount of
\$3,714,573 have been issued during the
past seven and a half months of 1909,
which exceeds by a corresponding per-
cent of any other year."

"The Prohibition law is being en-
forced in Atlanta. The blind tiger where
whiskey is illegally sold, is hard to find,
and I believe the number of them is
decreasing. The arrest of 354 blind
tigers attests the fact that the law is
being enforced."

"As to the statement frequently made
that the Prohibition law cannot be en-
forced where public sentiment is
against it, I desire to say that in my
opinion, an honest and courageous po-
lice judge, backed by a mayor of the
same kind and by superior court judges
who also believe in the enforcement
of the law, will in cities of 100,000 to
200,000 inhabitants very soon create
public sentiment which will stop the
illegal sale of whiskey or reduce it to a
minimum. A study of the arrests shows
that the drunks are far behind the
times of the whiskey saloon."

"A great deal of whiskey is being ille-
gally shipped into the city from other
states, and many cases of drunkenness
may be attributed to this source of supply."

"This is the testimony of all impartial
observers of the effects of liquor legis-
lation. The saloon interests themselves
are the best witnesses to the effective-
ness of the law. For if the sale of in-
toxicants had not decreased materially

under such laws, they would not spend
thousands of dollars in a struggle for
the legalizing of the drink traffic. If
they could sell just as much liquor
without licenses they would not fight
for the right of paying a license."

THE VANITY OF VANITIES.

All the world loves a scandal.

Love isn't so blind as pig-headed.

The name of Annatook should be
changed to Pearytook.

It is better to be a poor narrator
than to be a poor relation.

Artists have their soul mates. Chess
players have their stalemates.

The people of Los Angeles want
California cut in two. Cut it out!

Why not send the North Pole around
the country like the Liberty Bell is sent?

If Bacon wrote Shakespeare why
wasn't it he who discovered the
North Pole?

"Harriman's policies to be con-
futed." Which means that his soul goes
marching on.

The Chap is said to be a very sick
man. It is never very healthy for
cars in Russia.

The North Pole hat will be very
fashionable this winter. It will be
made in two shapes.

The higher criticism has lowered
itself in cutting down the age of
Methuselah to seventy-eight years.

Comptroller Metz of New York is a
chemist. As a mayorial candidate he
would soon precipitate a pretty fight.

"There are no flies on the United
States," says Speaker Cannon. And
there don't seem to be any on Uncle
Joe.

Kermit doesn't appear to be follow-
ing in his father's footsteps. He is
doing some hunting on his own ac-
count.

At Ostend Louis Paulhan, the French
aviator, won a prize of \$5,000 and then
fell into the water. Prize goes before a
fall.

It isn't nearly so dangerous to fly
in the face of heaven as it used to
be. This is owing to the advance in
the science of aviation.

It takes many, many seasons for
the summer girl to reach the sear, and
yellow state, but one season will do it
for the summer fadgers.

President Taft endorsed the Payne
tariff bill even more strongly than he
did Secretary Ballinger, which was
much more strongly than Mr. Pinchot
thought necessary.

The school arithmetics teach that
sixteen ounces make a pound, but in
the school of life experience teaches
that fourteen to fifteen ounces of but-
ter make a pound.

While addressing a meeting at
Birmingham, Premier Asquith was in-
terrupted by the frenzied action of
suffragettes, who threw toy bombs and
wielded axes. Suffragettes should not
toy with such things; they are ex-
tremely dangerous.

A Chicago dispatch says it transpires
that two leading watch manufactur-
ing companies recently sent out simul-
taneously, but not concertedly, it is
averred, notices to jobbers advising
them that the price of watches is to
be increased an average of 74 per
cent on all lines. Such very strange
coincidents will bear watching.

"ACT WELL YOUR PART."

Baltimore Sun.
But there is one great, striking dif-
ference between the theatrical stage
and the great drama of human life. On
the former, as a rule, the leading light
—the star actors and actresses—get
most of the applause; those who are
forced to play the lesser roles often
get but scant notice. But on the great,
wide stage where the Author of our be-
ing is both judge and audience, it mat-
ters not what part we play—whether it
be prominent or obscure—provided we
play it well. The bad carrier and the
poor workman, who perform con-
scientiously and exactly the duties of
their lowly state, may be far more
pleasing to their Maker than the pro-
fessional man, the monarch or the genius
—certainly a comforting reflection.

ASSOCIATED PRESS ENTERPRISE

Pueblo Chieftain.
The action of the Associated Press
in sending a tug to Battle Harbor, Le-
brador, to meet Commander Peary, is
typical of the enterprise of that or-
ganization in carrying forward its
special line of work, which is the col-
lection and distribution of news. The
Associated Press is not a news agency
in the ordinary sense. It does not
make a business of selling news to
customers, but it is an organization
of the newspapers by which news is
collected from and distributed to the
members of the association. In plan-
ning and effecting the work of this
organization extraordinary talent and
energy have been shown, and it is
well within the truth to say that Ameri-
can newspapers and their readers to-
day have better service than they ever
had before, and better service than is
given any other country of the world.

CUBA REALLY ENDEAVORING.

Cleveland Plain Dealer.
President Gomez of Cuba, in a
pamphlet issued by one of the Cuban
newspapers, states that "Cuba has no
more cordial nor loyal friend than the
American people and government."

From such a source, this statement is
distinctly interesting. Gomez himself
was elected as an anti-American
candidate, and his supporters were
confident that he would worry and
hag America as much as possible.
In matters of internal policy
Gomez has occasionally shown weak-
ness, but he has never justified the
fear that was felt as to his hostility
to all things American. Cuba, of
course, owes her existence to the United
States. Not only her existence, but
every detail of her present physical
prosperity, she owes her roads, her
railroads, her agricultural development
wholly to the Anglo-Saxon. Canadians
have co-operated to a considerable ex-
tent. The Cuban railroad, which con-
nects the former inaccessible eastern
end of the island with the capital
and metropolis, was built and is oper-

ated by Canadians. Canadian banks
do a large business in the island. But
Canada is merely the vanguard of the
United States, and Cubans them-
selves make no distinction between the
Anglo-Saxon peoples.

THE OPTIMIST'S CORNER

It is utterly impossible to keep well
unless the feet are kept dry and warm
all the time. If they are for the most
part cold, there is cough, or sore
throat, or hoarseness, or sick headache,
or some other annoyance. If cold and
dry, the feet should be soaked in hot
water for ten minutes every night, and
when wiped and dried, rub them well
with 10 or 15 drops of sweet oil; do
this patiently with the hands, rubbing
the oil into the soles of the feet par-
ticularly. On getting up in the morn-
ing dip both feet at once into water,
as cold as the air of the room, half-
candle deep, for a minute in summer,
half a minute or less in winter, rub-
bing one foot with the other; then
wipe dry, and if convenient hold them
to the fire, rubbing them until per-
fectly dry and warm in every part.
If the feet are damp and cold, attend
only to the morning washings, but al-
ways at night remove the stockings
and hold the feet to the fire, rubbing
them with the hands for 15 minutes,
and get immediately into bed. Per-
sons who walk a great deal during the
day should, on coming home for the
night, remove the shoes and stock-
ings, hold the feet to the fire until
perfectly dry, put on a dry pair of
hose, and wear slippers for the re-
mainder of the evening.

JUST FOR FUN.

Modesty of Greatness.

Reporter-Senator, to what do you
chiefly attribute your successful career?

Eminent Statesman—Entirely to
heredity, young man. I deserve no
credit for it whatever. My father had
ambition and my mother had talent,
and I happened to inherit both those
qualifications.—Chicago Tribune.

A Question of Feet.

"How can a boy with only two feet
make all that noise?" said the im-
patient father as Johnny clattered down
the stairs.

"Never mind," said the mother. "Let
me be thankful he isn't a centipede."—
Washington Star.

Cheerfully Admitted.

"Owen Plannagan! Are you Owen
Plannagan?" said the clerk of the
court.

"Yes, begorra," replied the prisoner,
with a merry twinkle in his eye. "I'm
owin' everybody!"—The Bitts.

Growth of the Idea.

"Remember, my son, there is no
short cut to learning."

"O, yes, there is, dad. All you have
to do nowadays is to read five feet
of books."—Chicago Tribune.

Broken in Time.

Dyer—Did his widow succeed in
breaking his will?

Duell—Yes; long before he died.—
Pick-me-up.

Between Meals.

The Mauritanian's new route, which
enables people to eat breakfast in New
York on Wednesday and dinner in Lon-
don on Monday, will be a great help
to those tourists who are not able to
do anything in the meantime.—Indian-
apolis News.

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